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1. On the Chocen - Brandys line, the railroad tunnel lying approximately 700 m. east of Chocen (Chotzen) (051/NO9) has been replaced by a railroad cutting. Four tracks are now running through the cutting, the sides of which have been reinforced with concrete, though only two of these are in use at present. A road bridge traverses the gap over the cutting.
2. In the sector Veseli nad Moravou - Bzenec, a double track has been completed, except for the work on the bridges which is still continuing. A large railroad station is being built in Veseli nad Moravou.
3. In the sector Brno-Nove Mesto na Morave, a new railroad track is being laid, which, when finished, will form another connection between Prague and Brno. The new track and arches of the new bridges can be seen from the old track in this area.
4. On the Trat Druzby (Association Line or Brotherhood Line) connecting Cerna nad Tisou - Kosice - Zilina - Bohumin - Prerov - Trebova - Pardubice - Kolin - Prague - Pilsen - Cheb, which largely uses the existing tracks but is to bypass some of the cities, the present condition of construction is as follows in the sectors from Pardubice to Pilsen:
 - a. In the Pardubice - Prague sector, the bed for the track and the widening of the railroad bridges are completed, but the widening of the approaches to the bridges is not yet finished. Sleepers and track sections are already being delivered.
 - b. Near Pardubice, the new track makes a detour which begins between the villages of Dasice (051/M89) and Kostenice east of Pardubice, passes southwest, and rejoining the existing track west of the Svitkov junction.

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- c. Near Kolin, the new track leaves the existing track west of Tynec nad Labem, bypasses Kolin to the south, and rejoins the old track between the villages Nova Ves and Velim.
- d. The Prague bypass begins east of the capital in the Kyje (051/G43) district, runs in a south-westerly direction, and passes through Zabehlice (051/L88), south of Michle (051/L78), under the Barandov rocks, crossing the Vltava river north of Chuchle (051/L77) to rejoin the old track on the west bank of the river.
- e. A new railroad bridge is being built across the Vltava river at Barandov. Work started about September 1951. The bridge will be supported by six steel and concrete pillars, four of which have been completed. Each pillar is approximately 18-20 meters high.
- f. In the Prague - Beroun sector, the bed of the track is finished, and sleepers and lines are being dumped there.
- g. In the Beroun - Pilsen sector, work on bridges and trestles is continuing. The part of the track in the area of Bukovec (N50/L14), east of Pilsen, has been laid down, and it seems that a detour around Pilsen will be made.

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